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## GERMANY FACES CRISIS AS MICHAELIS QUILTS

### Liberty Loan Reaches \$4,818,350 NUMBER GIVING IS 3400

Hawaii on Liberty Loan Holiday  
Brings Total Bond Subscrip-  
tion to Within \$200,000 of  
Desired Maximum

The Liberty Loan figures at noon today reached the grand total of \$4,818,350, or less than \$200,000 within the five million maximum. The amount of money received by the civilian committee amounted to \$3,695,450, from 3,400 subscribers. The army totals reached \$1,122,000. The banks remained open until 2 o'clock this afternoon to receive subscriptions and indications point to a heavy oversubscribing of the \$5,000,000 maximum before night.

WITH every state in the Union striving its utmost to make today, Liberty Loan Day, go down in history as a red letter day in the great war, Hawaii took her place on the roll of honor by collecting within less than \$200,000 of the \$5,000,000 mark, or \$2,000,000 more than her authorized quota.

In Bishop Square at noon today, a group of campaign workers urged the huge crowds to help Hawaii's total reach the \$5,000,000 mark. Every school, every store, every place of business with the exception of the banks closed at noon, so that the thousands of workers might do their bit on the day set aside by the governor on request of the nation's chief.

The Hawaiian band played stirring patriotic airs and military marches, while orators urged the crowd to subscribe to the loan. Delegate Kuhio, Richard Trent, Clarence Cooke, J. W. Cathcart and W. O. Smith were among the speakers.

Schools all over the city closed at noon today. Teachers from the various institutions gathered at Deputy Auditor G. W. King's office in the capitol and subscribed to the loan. In addition to the teachers, large numbers of territorial employees took advantage of Mr. King's arrangements, whereby the local banks will carry the government employees on the installment plan.

Reports from the Honolulu Construction & Draying Company announce that 85 employees have subscribed for 108 bonds, totaling \$5400. This includes a large number of the Japanese and Hawaiian employees.

Malcolm McIntyre, newly appointed sales agent for Punahou academy, held a rousing meeting at the school last evening. Judge Whitney spoke on the

### PERSHING SEES FRENCHSMASH GERMAN LINES

Poils in Battering Ram Fashion  
Penetrate Two Miles  
Into Hun Defenses; Take  
8000 Prisoners

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
AMERICAN CAMP IN FRANCE,  
Oct. 24.—General Pershing, commander of the American expeditionary force, in person witnessed the smashing attack delivered by the French yesterday against the German armies on the Aisne front. He accompanied the French commanders as far as the second line of German trenches.

PERSHING, Oct. 24.—A decisive defeat, shattering the hold of the Crown Prince on the entire Laon salient, was inflicted upon the Germans yesterday by the French, who swept forward along a six-mile front north of the Aisne and smashed the German line. At places the Hun defenses were pierced to a depth of two miles.

German prisoners to the number of 8000 were taken, with scores of heavy guns and hundreds of machine guns and trench weapons.

The victory was complete, the French reaching their objectives and literally annihilating those German regiments attempting to stem their furious advance. The finest troops of the Crown Prince were rushed to the defense of the German lines threatened, but their assistance was futile and they shared in the general losses inflicted by the French guns and the backing, charging French infantry.

### Japanese Financial Commission Arrives On Way to U. S. to Arrange War Plans



Leading members of the Japanese financial commission which arrived in Honolulu today en route to the mainland. Left to right, Mr. K. Matsumoto, representing Meiji Mining Co.; Mr. Y. Yamashita, representing Sumitomo Co.; Mr. Y. Yoneyama, representing Mitsui Co.; Mr. C. Koike, representing Kuhara Mining Co.; Baron B. Ito, a member of industrial investigation committee, department of treasury; Baron T. Megata, head of the commission and a member of the house of peers, Japanese diet.

A third distinguished party of Japanese bound for a tour of the United States is due to arrive this afternoon on a Maru steamer which is expected to dock at about 3 o'clock.

This third Japanese mission to stop over in Honolulu in as many months is a party of financial and economic commissioners who are going to the United States to discuss trade and commercial problems between the U. S. and Japan. The mission is to remain in the United States three months.

The reason for the visit of this Japanese party to the states is explained as entirely different from that of the other two missions. The Ishii party represented the Japan government; the second party, the parliamentary one, the people of Japan, and this one the shipping, banking and other commercial interests of Japan is the explanation given in the Orient of the three missions.

The financial and economic mission is headed by Baron T. Mega, a member of the house of peers of the Japanese diet.

An informal dinner which was to have been given by Consul Gen. R. Moroi in honor of the distinguished visitors has been cancelled. Instead, an official banquet is to be given by Consul Moroi at the Young hotel in honor of the Japanese commissioners.

Gov. L. E. Pinkham and many prominent Americans, as well as about 60 Japanese, have been invited to the banquet.

### AUSTRIANS DRIVE AT ITALIANS

German Forces Aid Austrians  
in Offensive on Bainsizza  
Plateau; Teuton Troops are  
Withdrawn From Gulf of  
Riga and Dvina

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
BERLIN, Oct. 24.—Reinforced by veterans of the Prussian and Austrian armies of Galicia, the Austro-Hungarian armies today launched a mammoth offensive along the Italian front. Reports received from the battle zone declare that the Austrians have pushed forward, overcoming the resistance of the Italians and capturing positions at Flietz and Tolmino, the northern end of the Bainsizza plateau.

ROME, Oct. 24.—The Austrians have concentrated strong masses of troops, including German divisions along the Italian front in preparation for an offensive.

BERLIN, Oct. 24.—The German forces have been withdrawn from the Russian front in the Gulf of Riga and along the Dvina river. The withdrawal took place Sunday without interruption from the enemy.

### JAPAN TO DEVELOP MILITARY AVIATION

(Special Cable to Kinnu Jiji)  
TOKIO, Japan, Oct. 24.—Plans for the expansion of Japan's military aviation corps were today announced by Lieut. Gen. K. Oshima, minister of war. An immediate construction of a big aeroplane factory, adequate to take care of all the needs of the aviation forces, is included in the plans.

### LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE BULLETIN

#### A Dollar Buys 10 Loaves

of bread today. A few years hence, after the war is over and conditions become fairly normal again, it is safe to predict that the same dollar will buy 20 loaves. You don't have to deny yourself much in either food or clothes today to pay for a \$50 Liberty Bond.

Tuck that Liberty Bond away and forget it, except to make your collection of \$2 interest per year, until the war ends. You'll be surprised to find then that your bond will buy anywhere from half to 100% more in food and clothes and other necessities or comforts, than it possibly can today.

Have you considered this phase of your Liberty Bond investment?

### America Ceases Business to Work For Liberty Loan

Subscriptions Pour in as Result  
of Campaign; 34 Nationalities  
Donate to Cause

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—On this, the Liberty Loan holiday, America suspended business from one end of the country to the other to lend concentrated intensity to the biggest financial "drive" in the world's history. Early reports filtering in to Washington revealed that in every city and every town, liberty loan committees were at work canvassing their communities for subscribers.

Well organized at the start, the nation-wide campaign gives every evidence of being successful beyond expectations. The American people are not stinting themselves in their giving to the nation. The enthusiasm was not confined to the American; 34 nationalities are represented in the day's contributions so far.

Two million workers have been in the field the past few days, urging upon the people to subscribe liberally toward the loan.

Today the two million earnest workers were reinforced by the biggest men and the greatest orators of the United States. Among those who are scheduled to speak in various cities in behalf of the Liberty Loan are former President Taft, William Jennings Bryan, and Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives.

Today is a general holiday in most of the states, the governors having followed the example set by President Wilson, who made the day a holiday for all federal employees.

### I.-I. SHIPS LIABLE TO SEIZURE

James A. Kennedy Back From  
Washington Confirms Report  
Local Boats are Not Exempt  
From Commandeering; Freight  
Rate Increase is Probable

LARGE and small vessels in the Hawaiian trade may at almost any moment be taken from their routes by Uncle Sam, and there is no security in the present situation, says James A. Kennedy, president of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company and Hawaii representative of the United States shipping board. Here are some of the vital points he makes on his return from a business strip to Washington in direct connection with shipping affairs:

Though the steamers in the Hawaiian trade now commandeered by the government are still being operated on the former routes and under little change, the government will very probably find their operation so expensive that marked increases in freight and passenger rates will be necessary.

There is talk that rates may have to be increased 50 to 100 per cent owing to the immensely increased cost of operation.

The Inter-Island Co.'s steamers now operating exclusively in trade between island points are not exempt from commandeering. In this connection Mr. Kennedy confirmed a rumor in Washington and San Francisco that the government may commandeer some of the Inter-Island vessels in the "second call."

Sugar Transportation  
Transportation of Hawaii's sugar is becoming a matter of much uncertainty. The congestion on the transcontinental railroads is such that the raw sugar destined for the Eastern refineries may be much delayed or even blocked so far as rail connections are concerned. Once again the possibility is raised of all-water transportation for the raw sugar from Hawaii to the Eastern seaboard.

While the Inter-Island president dwells on the uncertainties of the situation, it is not claimed that Hawaii is faring any worse than other parts of the country, except insofar as Hawaii's distance, as a coastwise territory, from continental soil aggravates the difficulties. "We are at war and

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OAHU DRAFT LIST  
The list of Oahu draft registrants will be found on Page 10.  
Installments from the list will appear daily until finished.

### New York First City to Adopt Food Rationing

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, N. Y., Oct. 24.—New York today went on a war ration basis—the first city in the United States to follow the example set by the Allies.

Through the state representative of the national food commission the retailers were ordered to restrict sugar sales, allowing no more than 10 pounds to a customer, according to size of family. A fixed price of 10 to 11 cents a pound was set.

Under the rationing order housewives can buy sugar only once in 10 days or two weeks and then only in bags of 2, 3½ or 5 pounds, according to family needs.

Statistics show food prices have advanced 47 per cent during the war and sugar 77 per cent.

### ENFORCES POLICIES IN ISLES

Will Work in Conjunction With  
Hoover and Put Into Operation  
Here System Now Applied  
in Mainland for Governing  
Food Distribution and Prices

J. F. CHILD, for the last several months assistant executive officer of the territorial food commission, has been named federal food administrator for Hawaii. A radiogram received by him from Herbert Hoover, national food administrator, says that President Wilson has approved his nomination made by Governor Pinkham a few weeks ago.

Mr. Child communicated with the governor this morning and informed him of the text of the radiogram. He will cable his acceptance to Mr. Hoover this afternoon.

The appointment of Mr. Child carries with it the following powers:

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### PROTECTION IS SECURED FOR LOCAL FOODSTUFFS DEALERS

Chamber of Commerce Arranges for Exemption From Prosecution Under Licensing Requirement for Merchants Who Mail Applications Within Ten Days After Blanks are Received Here

THROUGH the Chamber of Commerce, arrangements have been made for the protection of local dealers in foodstuffs who will be unable to apply before November 1 for licenses to do business as required under the proclamation recently issued by President Wilson.

As a result of the proclamation, which, among other things, requires licenses for manufacturers and distributors of, and dealers in, certain foodstuffs, telegrams have passed between the Honolulu chamber and Sidney M. Ballou, its counsel in Washington, D. C.

Shortly after the announcement by the Star-Bulletin of the issuance of the proclamation, the chamber sent the following message to Mr. Ballou: "No blanks with which to comply with President's proclamation licensing mercantile lines Nov. 1. Please protest imposition of penalties and forward blanks. Answer."

In reply, Mr. Ballou sent the following message to the chamber: "Forwarding 200 sets of duplicate blanks with letter authorizing you to handle the same for the entire territory, with protection if applications are mailed within 10 days after receipt. Formally appoint committee to take all preliminary steps."

The penalty for failure to comply with the President's proclamation is a fine of \$5000 or imprisonment for not more than two years.

According to the cablegram from Washington, dealers in the territory of Hawaii who come within the provisions of the proclamation will be protected from the imposition of the fine if applications for licenses are mailed within 10 days after the blanks are received by the Chamber of Commerce. When the blanks arrive, the fact will be made known through the local press and the blanks may be secured from the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

### GETS TWO YEARS IN JAIL

Convicted of maliciously converting a gray horse, the property of a homesteader, John Kahle, a Hawaiian, was sentenced by Circuit Judge Ashford today to serve not less than two years at hard labor in Oahu prison.

### KAISER ASSUMES PERSONAL CHARGE IN INTERNAL WAR

Chancellor's Resignation Comes Following Break in Reichstag as Result of Attempt of Michaelis and von Cappelle to Place Odium of Naval Mutiny on Socialist Leaders—Prince von Buelow Mentioned as Possible Successor

(Associated Press by Wireless)

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 24.—Chancellor Michaelis has handed in his portfolio to the Kaiser, according to a Copenhagen despatch today. The Kaiser hastening back to Berlin from his recent visit to Constantinople and the Balkans has assumed personal supervision of the political crisis confronting the German nation as result of the chancellor's precipitate action.

While the resignation of Michaelis came as a shock to the inner circles, who relied on him through the direction of the Kaiser to overcome the manifestly antagonistic stand of the socialistic elements of the Reichstag, such action was forecast two weeks ago when charges and counter-charges were hurled back and forth in the Reichstag in connection with fixing the responsibility for the recent mutiny in the German navy.

### Fuel Gas From Petrol, Project Proposed Here

L. B. DeLaitte of San Francisco and Paris, arrived on the Maui this morning to consult with the Honolulu Iron Works on a project to manufacture fuel gas from petrol. He was asked by telegraph to make the trip and demonstrate the possibilities of his method and he has brought machinery with him for some tests which are to be held at once at Oahu Plantation.

If the tests are successful it is possible that Hawaii's plantations will be able to save very considerable amounts in their fuel by the installation of the special machinery.

Mrs. DeLaitte accompanies her husband. They will remain but a short time, as Mr. DeLaitte intends returning to San Francisco as soon as his business is finished.

The resignation, however, came much earlier than expected as the Reichstag adjourned last week and it was thought no decisive action bordering on a crisis would be taken this winter.

Prince von Buelow, ambassador to Rome before the war, is mentioned as a possible successor to Michaelis. He is strongly urged for the portfolio by the conservatives, who see in him a man more to the liking of America than his predecessors. Von Buelow is regarded as a conservative who has been mentioned as having a clearer perception and insight into the American national character and views than any man who has yet held a ministerial position during the war. Von Buelow, however, is opposed by the Socialistic wings.

With Michaelis' action the German paper crisis is over. The Pan-German propaganda, which loomed so big in anticipation, but was so small in results, has passed. In its place has risen a new, and this time a really serious crisis, caused by the attempt of Chancellor Michaelis, Vice Chancellor Helfferich and Minister of the Navy von Cappel to use the alleged plot in the German navy as a political weapon against the party of the extreme left in the Reichstag.

It is not improbable, German political observers point out, that Chancellor Michaelis in an hour of apparent success sowed the seeds of his own downfall.

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### German People Growing Weary Of War Sacrifices

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 24.—That the German civilian population is gradually nearing the breaking point which may culminate in open revolt against the Kaiserbund in the not very distant future, is the prediction of Pleasant Alexander Stovall, U. S. minister to Switzerland.

In a communication to the state department, Minister Stovall says Germany is growing weary of the sacrifices she is being continually called on to make in the conduct of the war, and the gnawing of hunger may drive the populace to extreme measures before long.

"The German people," says the minister, "are slowly beginning to realize that the war is a failure, though, despite the general weakening of morale, there is no immediate prospect of peace. The food question is bad and the general economic situation is rapidly growing worse."

### NOTED EXPLORER RETURNS HONORS TO THE KAISER

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Wireless.)  
LONDON, Oct. 24.—Rolf Amundsen, the famous Norwegian explorer, has returned to the Kaiser the decorations bestowed on him by the German minister to Christiania.

"I do this as a personal protest against the German murder of peaceful Norwegian sailors," Amundsen said.

The incident referred to was the destruction by two German cruisers of nine merchantmen in the North sea, October 17, following the sinking of the British destroyer courier, *Prize* of the vessels were Norwegian.